IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: MAILLIET et al. Examiner: JARRELL, Noble E.

Application No.: 10/658,394 Art Unit: 1609

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Title: Chemical Derivatives and Their Application as Antitelomerase Agents

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Response to Restriction Requirement Under 35 U.S.C. § 121

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2007, in the aboveidentified application, setting a 31-day period for response expiring March 3, 2007. This response is therefore timely filed.

It is respectfully requested that the following provisional election and remarks be entered in this case.

<u>Remarks</u>

The Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

- Group I: Claims 22-24, 27-33, drawn to compounds and compositions comprising formula I wherein the nitrogen-containing aromatic ring and the aromatic ring are both quinoline and the distribution agent is pyrimidine, classified in class 544, subclass 242.
- Group II: Claims 22, 27-33, drawn to compounds and compositions comprising formula I wherein the nitrogen-containing aromatic ring and the aromatic ring are both quinoline and the distribution agent is a carbonyl group, classified in class 546, subclass 26.